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AGAINST TORTURE

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- 1. MISSION HAS RECEIVED FROM NIALL MACDERMOT (INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION OF JURISTS) A SECOND DRAFT OF THE PROPOSED OPTIONAL PROTOCOL TO THE CONVENTION AGAINST TORTURE WHICH WAS DISCUSSED IN PARA 1 OF REFTEL. ATTACHED TO THE NEW VERSION IS A LETTER FROM KEBA M'BAYE (CHAIRMAN OF THE HRC) EXPRESSING HIS PERSONAL REACTION TO THE DOCUMENT. MISSION IS FORWARDING PROTOCOL AND LETTER, BY POUCH, TO IO/HR HEWITT UNDER REGISTRY NUMBER 3008054.
- 2. MACDERMOT AND SEVERAL INTERESTED SWISS NATIONALS RECENTLY DREW UP A LIST OF THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES WHICH THEY WILL APPROACH REGARDING SPONSORSHIP OF THE PROTOCOL. BEFORE PURSUING THIRD WORLD SPONSORSHIP MACDERMOT IS ANXIOUS TO KNOW IF THE U.S. IS SYMPATHETIC TO PROTOCOL AS DRAFTED. HE IS NOT, REPEAT NOT REQUESTING U.S. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SPONSORSHIP BUT WOULD LIKE TO KNOW AS SOON AS POSSIBLE IF THE U.S. LOOKS FAVORABLY UPON THIS AS A PROTOCOL TO THE CONVENTION.

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